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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HIDEO NORO, ET AL.) : Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: To be assigned) : Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: Concurrently Herewith) :
For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD) September 25, 2006
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APPARATUS)

Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows: